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SUBJ: INTERNATIONAL STAFF (IS) QUESTIONS ON US REPLY TO DPQ(75)

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1. THE IS AIR FORCE ANALYST HAS PROVIDED MISSION OFFICER WITH A LIST OF QUESTIONS WHICH WILL BE ASKED DURING THE TRI-LATERAL AND MULTI-LATERAL REVIEW OF THE US REPLY TO DPQ(75). MOST OF THESE QUESTIONS CONCERN INFORMATION IN THE US DPQ MEMORANDUM AND CENTER ON THE COMMITMENT OF US DUAL CAPABLE TACTICAL FIGHTER AIRCRAFT.

2. SINCE THE IS HAS GIVEN US THEIR QUESTIONS WELL IN ADVANCE OF THE TRI-LATERAL REVIEW, WE RECOMMEND THE US RESPOND TO THEM IN WRITING. THIS WOULD REDUCE THE TIME NEEDED TO CONDUCT THE REVIEW AND WOULD REDUCE THE CHANCE OF ALLIES MISUNDERSTANDING THE US FORCE COMMITMENT. REQUEST WASHINGTON COMMENT BY COB
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JANUARY 7, 1976. FYI: THE IS HAS INDICATED THAT THE TRI-LATERALS WILL BEGIN ABOUT MID-FEBRUARY. END FYI.

3. TEXT OF QUESTIONS FOLLOWS:

BEGIN TEXT:

AIR FORCE

A. WITH REFERENCE TO THE MEMORANDUM, COULD INFORMATION BE PROVIDED REGARDING THE FOLLOWING:

1. PAGE 55, LINE 7:

A) IS THIS EXCHANGE ON 1 FOR 1 BASIS OR IF NOT WHAT IS THE EXCHANGE BASIS;

B) DO ALL THE REPLACED AIRCRAFT GO TO RESERVE UNITS OR SOME OF THEM?

2. PAGE 55, LINE 10 AND PAGE 56, LINE 6:

IN THE FIRST INSTANCE IT IS STATED THAT IN 1980 THERE WILL BE AN INCREASE OF 10 FIGHTER SQUADRONS AVAILABLE TO NATO AS COMPARED WITH 1976. IN THE FOLLOWING PAGE IT IS STATED THAT THE US AIR FORCE INTENDS TO COMMIT ADDITIONAL SQUADRONS TO NATO AS "EARMARKED FORCES". AS BOTH STATEMENTS ADDRESS THOSE SQUADRONS REPORTED IN TABLE I PAGES AF-2 AND F-3 UNDER THE HEADING "EARMARKED FORCES" CAPABLE OF BEING IN PLACE BETWEEN M PLUS 5 AND M PLUS 30 COULD CLARIFICATION BE PROVIDED ON THE INTENTION AND THE AVAILABILITY. (M PLUS 5).

3. PAGE 56, LINE 14:

COULD INFORMATION BE PROVIDED ON WHAT IS CONSIDERED "AN ADEQUATE LEVEL" I.E. HOW MANY AIRFRAMES IS THE "ADEQUATE LEVEL" LESS THAN THE NUMBER OF AIRCRAFT ASSIGNED NOW ? IF SO WHAT PICKS UP THE TARGETS NO LONGER COVERED?

4. PAGE 56, LINE 1:

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COULD ADDITIONAL COMMENTS BE PROVIDED CONCERNING THE INDEFINITE DEFERRMENT OF THE PLANNED INCREASE TO 24 AIRCRAFT FOR EACH OF THREE FBS/A SQUADRONS BASED IN SPAIN?

5. PAGE 56, LINE 16:

IF THE F-16 IS TO REPLACE NUCLEAR CAPABLE F-4'S WHY WOULD NOT THE F-16 BE NUCLEAR?

6. PAGE 57, LINES 6-10:

ON THE UNDERSTANDING THAT DUAL BASED SQUADRONS ARE NOT CONSIDERED AUGMENTATION FORCES COULD CLARIFICATION BE PROVIDED

ON THE TYPES - NUMBER OF SQUADRONS/AIRCRAFT AND THEIR NATO
CATEGORY WHICH WILL MAINTAIN NUCLEAR DELIVERY CAPABILITIES I.E.
(SEE TABLE I PAGE AF-1):

A) IN THE NATO ASSIGNED CATEGORY THE FBS/A F-4 SQUADRONS
INCLUDE AIRCRAFT EQUIPPED TO PERFORM A RADAR SUPPRESSION
MISSION. HOW MANY F-4'S ARE EQUIPPED TO PERFORM NUCLEAR
DELIVERY MISSIONS?

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B) IN THE US BASED AUGMENTATION FORCES: NATO ASSIGNED M PLUS 3
RAPID REACTION F-4'S AND F-111'S SQUADRONS AND IN NATO
ASSIGNED M PLUS 5 - M PLUS 15 SACEUR STRATEGIC RESERVE F-4'S,
F-111'S AND F-105'S SQUADRONS HOW MANY AIRCRAFT ARE NOW
ASSIGNED IN THE FBS/A ROLE?

C) THE AUGMENTATION FORCES REPORTED IN THE ITEM IVB DPQ(75)
ADDENDUM II TABLE D STRATEGIC RESERVES OR EQUIVALENT FORCES
AT END 1975, LINES 13 TO 17 ADDRESS RAPID REACTION AND
SACEUR STRATEGIC RESERVE SQUADRONS RESPECTIVELY.

IT IS NOTED THAT 10/222-SQUADRONS/AIRCRAFT ARE
ANNOTATED FBS/A WHILE THE F-4 AND F-111 RAPID REACTION
SQUADRON SHOWN IN TABLE I ARE ANNOTATED FBA ONLY.

7. PAGE 57, LINE 18:

THE F-15 CONVENTIONAL IS BEING DEALT WITH HERE; IF HOWEVER
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THE DECISION IMPLIED IN PAGE 56 LINES 15 AND 16 IS TO MAKE THE
F-15 NUCLEAR - HOW MANY WILL BE INVOLVED? WHEN WILL BE NUCLEAR
AIRFRAME BE AVAILABLE?

8. PAGE 59, PARA (3):

A) COULD INFORMATION BE PROVIDED CONCERNING THE ROLES OF THE
F-16 AND A BREAK OUT OF THE VARIOUS CAPABILITIES?

B) COULD INFORMATION BE PROVIDED ON THE PHASING OUT OF THE
F-4'S AND IF THE A-10 AND F-16 ARE TO REPLACE IT, HOW MANY
OF EACH AND IN WHAT CONFIGURATION I.E. FBA/S, AWX AND TR?

9. PAGE 61, LINE 17:

COULD INFORMATION BE PROVIDED ON PLANS TO DEPLOY THE EF-11
TO EUROPE AND ITS BASING?

B.1. WITH RESPECT TO CROSS SERVICING FACILITIES (SEE DPQ(75)GENERAL
DATED 25TH APRIL 1975 PAGE 14 PARA. F(II)) COULD INFORMATION
BE PROVIDED IN TABULAR FORM REGARDING THE SCOPE AND NATURE, TYPES
OF AIRCRAFT CONCERNED, E.G.:

ROLES AND TYPES OF AIRCRAFT	CROSS SERVICING FACILITIES		CROSS SERVICING FACILITIES	
	STAGE A		STAGE B	
	(NUMBER OF AIR BASES)		(NUMBER OF AIR BASES)	
	FULL	LIMITED	FULL	LIMITED

ATTACK

F-4	10	-	6	3
F-111	3	4	2	1
NF-5	1	1	-	1

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RECONNAISSANCE

RF-35	1	-	-	-
RF-4C	4	1	2	-

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AIR DEFENCE

F-104G	2		1	
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F-4	8	2	4	5
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2. TABLE I PAGE AF-2 SERIAL NO 25

F-16 AIRCRAFT WAS DEVELOPED AS AN AIR COMBAT FIGHTER
WITHIN THE HIGH-LOW MIX CONCEPT. COULD YOU COMMENT ON THE
REASON FOR INITIATING INTRODUCTION OF THE F-16 IN THE FBA ROLE.

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